(c) the details of the quantum and percentage of contribution of goods and services in the Gross Domestic Product made by the indigenous industries vis-a-vis foreign companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PRO-GRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b). Government provides services for running departmental enterprises such as railways, communication, etc., as well as community services relating to health, education, etc., besides administrative and defence services. The cost of these services includes factor payments and expenditure on goods and services. This cost, excluding intermediate consumption of goods and services, is included in the Gross Domestic Product because it generates demand and supply of goods and services in the economy

(c) Details are not available.

Foreign Investment Promotion Board

2380, DH, Y.S. RAJASEKHAR REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state

- (a) when the Foreign Investment Promotion Board was constituted and the details of the numbers of the Board:
- (o) the details of the proposals cleared by the Board during each of the last three years;
- (c) the total investment involved in these proposals; and
- (d) the details of the projects pending clearance with the Foreign Investment Promotion Board?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) In pursuance of the decision contained in para 39 B (v) of the Statement on Industrial Policy tabled in both Houses of Parliament on 24th July, 1991, Government have constituted the Foreign Investment

promotion Board on 22nd August, 1991. The Board comprises of the following:-

- (i) Principal Secretary to Prime Minister
- (ii) Finance Secretary
- (iii) Commerce Secretary
- (iv) Secretary, Industrial Development.

(b) to (d). On the recommendation of the Board, Government have approved 10 proposals by the end of February, 1992 envisaging total foreign investment of more than Rs. 505 crores.

The details of approved foreign collaboration proposals viz. name of the Indian Company, name of the foreign collaborator, the nature of collaboration and items of manufacture are being published by the Indian Investment Centre, New Delhi as a supplement to its monthly News-letter. Copies of these publications are sent regularly to the Parliament Library.

As a matter of policy, the details of projects pending clearance are not disclosed in public interest.

[Translations]

Television Industry

2381. SHRI RAM BADAN: SHRI GEORGE FERNAN-DES: SHRI PRITHVIRAJ D.

CHAVAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the closure of nearly 30 per cent television manufacturing units due to increase in the rates of excise duty;
- (b) if so, whether the Government propose to promote television industry;

- (c) the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government are aware that 36 centimeters Black and White television sets are being illegally manufactured in the country;
- (e) if so, the number of such manufactures against whom action has been taken by the Government; and
 - (f) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes. Sir.

- (b) and (c). Measure taken/initiated by the Government to give boost to the growth of TV Industry are given in the attached statement.
- (d) to (f). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT

I. General Policy and procedural measures:

Licensing:

- (a) The entire electronics industry has been exempted from the locational limitations imposed on other industries.
- (b) Licensing has been abolished for all industrial undertakings including companies covered under Monopolies and Restrictive Trade practices (MRTP) and Foreign Exchange Regulation Act (FERA) and B & W TV sets.
- (c) The system of phased manufacturing programme (PMP) run on case by case has been abolished.
- (d) Development of small scale indus-

try is being encouraged. Approvals/ registrations have been totally decentralised to the level of State Directorates of Industries. Investment limit for this sector has been revised upwards to Rs. 60 lakhs and that for ancillary units to Rs. 75 lakhs.

- (e) Existing units are permitted to manufacture any article without additional investment under broadbanding subject to certain conditions.
- (f) Amendment to the MRTP Act has removed the threshold limit of assets in respect of MRTP companies

Import and Export Policies

- (a) Access to foreign exchange for the import of capital goods, parts and components required has been provided freely through the system of partial convertibility introduced in the Budget 1992-93.
- (b) Tools, Dies, Moulds are available under OGL at concessional rate of custom duty.
- (c) The import policy is being rationalised with a view to increasing production.

Electronic technology park

Government is considering a proposal to set up Electronic Technology Parks to attract major international electronic companies to establish global scale manufacturing facilities incorporating the latest technology. This will also help Indian enterprises to attain golbal scales of operations and thereby enhance their product and process quality and international competitiveness.

Velocity of business

Action has been initiated for improving the Velocity of Business in the Electronic Industry. It aims at removing procedural bottlenecks pertaining to licensing, customs, infrastructure etc. to speed up the development of Electronic Industry.

- II. Infrastructure and Other facilities:
- (a) For developing awareness of quality, a network of Standardisation, Testing and Quality Control (STQC) Laboratories are been set up. Some of these laboratories are authorised to test and certify for international and national quality standards. This must help in the export of electronic products.
- (b) To assure consumers quality production, B&W TV and CTV certification Scheme have been introduced.
- (c) For exports to "Single European market after 1992", the industry is being offered help and assistance in preparation to meet the ISO 9000 requirements.
- (d) Technology development projects have been initiated by the Technology Development Council; with a view to promote innovation, product design and development which are all basic for the growth of a healthy industry.
- (e) Electronics Research and Development Centres have been set up to carry out R & D in well identified areas which is also a measure for developing self reliant industrial base.
- (f) A number of Centres for Electronics Design and Technology

(CEDTs) have been set up in various parts of the country with the basic objective of imparting training with emphasis on aspects such as design, product development, technology and manufacturing processes with due regard to quality control, reliability, maintenance etc.

(g) Six months Service Technician Training Programme for repair and maintenance of common consumer electronic products has been initiated in 101 IFIs.

Construction of Roads in Forest Areas of M.P.

2382. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MA-HAJAN: SHRI YOGANAND SARASWATI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the problems being faced in the construction work of the roads, passing through the dacoit infested forest areas of Machya Pradesh: and
- (b) the efforts being made to expedite the matter soon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) and (b). The Ministry of Rural Development sanction funds to the State Government of Madhya Pradesh for construction of approved roads passing through the dacoity infested areas of the State. The actual construction work of the approved roads is undertaken by the State Government. For diversion of forest land under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, no proposal from the Government of Madhya Pradesh is pending with the Government of India.